

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
  
Plaintiff,  
  
v.  
  
ANTHONY CASTANEDA, et al.,  
  
Defendants.

Case No. 1:21-cr-00304-NODJ-BAM

ORDER REQUIRING COUNSEL FOR  
DEFENDANT ARA LI GONZALEZ TO  
PERSONALLY APPEAR BEFORE THE  
COURT ON FEBRUARY 28, 2024 TO SHOW  
CAUSE WHY SANCTIONS SHOULD NOT  
BE IMPOSED FOR FAILURE TO OBEY A  
COURT ORDER AND FAILURE TO  
APPEAR

On January 31, 2024, the Court set a status conference in this matter for February 14, 2024. (Doc. 85.) Roger Bonakdar, counsel for Defendant Arali Gonzalez, failed to appear at the status conference on February 14, 2024, which resulted in delay of the proceedings, among other problems created by counsel's conduct. Accordingly, defense counsel Roger Bonakdar is **HEREBY ORDERED to personally appear before the Court for a hearing on February 28, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. in Courtroom 8 (BAM) before the undersigned** to show cause why sanctions should not be imposed for his failure to comply with the Court's order and his failure to appear at the status conference. **Failure of counsel to appear before the Court on February 28, 2024, at 1:00 p.m., will result in the imposition of sanctions.** Alternatively, Roger Bonakdar may pay a sanction of \$250.00 made payable to the "U.S. District Court" not later than 5:00 p.m. PT on February 22, 2024 and attach this order. If payment is made by this date, any personal appearance will be excused.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: **February 14, 2024**

**/s/ Barbara A. McAuliffe**  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE